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10:00 — 37th plenary meeting — General Assembly Hall

[webcast]

Elections to fill vacancies in principal organs:
Election of eighteen members of the Economic and Social Council [item 112 (b)]

Security Council

15:00 — Consultations of the whole — Consultations Room

Middle East

Burundi

Other matters

General Assembly
Seventieth session

Informal meetings of the plenary on the preparatory process for the high-level meeting of the General Assembly in December 2015, will be held *today*, 21, and *tomorrow*, 22 October 2015, at 10:00 and 15:00, in the Economic and Social Council Chamber. Letters from the President of the General Assembly, dated 9 October 2015 and 15 October 2015, were sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers. For additional information, please *click here*. [webcast]

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General Assembly
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Informal consultations organized by the President of the General Assembly on the draft resolution regarding the report of the High-level independent Panel of Peace Operations (document A/70/95) and the report of the Secretary-General entitled "The future of United Nations peace operations: implementation of the recommendations of the High-level Independent Panel on Peace Operations" (document A/70/357), will be held *today*, 21 October 2015, from 12:00 to 13:00, in Conference Room 8. A letter from the President of the General Assembly, dated 19 October 2015, was sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers.

General Assembly
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Main Committees

First Committee

10:00 to 13:00 — 11th meeting [webcast] — Conference Room 4

Thematic discussion on item subjects and introduction and consideration of all draft resolutions and decisions submitted under agenda items (items 88 to 105)

Nuclear weapons cluster *(continued)*

[Documents of the Committee: *item 88* (A/70/139 and A/70/139/Add.1); *item 89* (A/70/29); *item 90*; *item 91*; *item 92* (A/70/174, A/70/172 and A/70/172/Add.1); *item 93* (A/70/153 (Part I) and A/70/153 (Part I)/Add.1 and A/C.1/70/L.1); *item 94*; *item 95; item 96; item 97* (A/70/168, A/70/168/Add.1, A/70/81, A/70/181, A/70/163, A/70/163/Add.1, A/70/164, A/70/164/Add.1, A/70/155, A/70/117, A/70/183, A/70/157, A/70/169, A/70/169/Add.1, A/70/170, A/70/170/Add.1, A/70/182, A/70/182/Add.1, A/C.1/70/2, A/C.1/70/L.4, A/C.1/70/L.6, A/C.1/70/L.7, A/C.1/70/L.9 and A/C.1/70/L.10); *item 98* (A/70/116, A/70/138, A/70/114, A/70/165 and A/C.1/70/L.8); *item 99* (A/70/177, A/70/186, A/70/27, A/70/42 and A/C.1/70/L.14); *item 100* (A/70/153 (Part II) (to be issued) and A/C.1/70/L.2); *item 101; item 102* (A/70/160 and A/70/160/Add.1); *item 103* (A/70/171 and A/70/159); *item 104* (A/C.1/70/L.12); and *item 105*

Other documents: Organization of work (A/C.1/70/1, A/C.1/70/INF/1, A/C.1/70/INF/4, A/C.1/70/CRP.1 and A/C.1/70/CRP.2).]

[The list of speakers for thematic discussion *is open* and will *close* on Thursday, 22 October 2015, at 18:00. The time limit for the thematic discussions is *five minutes* for delegations speaking in their national capacity, and *seven minutes* for those speaking on behalf of several delegations. The list of speakers will be prepared on the basis of this time limit. The names of representatives, alternate representatives and advisers should be forwarded to Mr. Kenji Nakano, Secretary of the First Committee (c/o Mr. Gerard Cianciulli (e-mail cianciulli@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-9277; Room S-3058). An advance unedited version of the list of delegations has been posted on the QuickFirst Website. Subsequently, any additions and or changes to the list can be forwarded to the Secretary (please see instructions above). The list will be finalized and officially issued on Friday, 30 October. The names of participants submitted after issuance of the list would be included in an addendum, to be issued after the conclusion of the Committee's work.

Please note that only scanned copies of notes verbales, or form A/INF/70/2, will be accepted by e-mail. Delegations wishing to reserve conference rooms for consultations during the session should contact Ms. Lidija Komatina (e-mail komatina@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-2378; Room S-3057). Background information on the Committee is available and accessible to Member States and permanent observers on the First Committee QuickFirst Website (*click here*). For inquiries regarding access to QuickFirst, kindly contact Mr. Victor Leu (e-mail leu@un.org). An archived video of a 12-minute technical briefing on QuickFirst, presented by the Secretary of the Committee after the 2nd meeting of the sixty-eighth session, on 4 October 2013, is available by *clicking here*, from 41 minutes 10 seconds to 52 minutes 36 seconds. Delegates are reminded that PaperSmart services are offered as an additional service for the seventieth session of the First Committee of the General Assembly. Delegations wishing to circulate their statements electronically through the PaperSmart portal should send a copy of the statement at least *one hour* in advance of delivery to papersmart1@un.org. The number of the meeting and the agenda item should be indicated in the heading of the statement and in the subject line of the e-mail. The statement will appear on the First Committee PaperSmart portal (*click here*) only when read out by the delegation.

A First Committee side events calendar is available by *clicking here*. To have an event added on the list, please contact Ms. Soo Hyun Kim (e-mail kim12@un.org).]

Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee)

Working Group of the Whole on International Cooperation in the Peaceful Uses of Outer Space

15:00 to 18:00 Closed meeting Conference Room 4

[Delegations wishing to be inscribed on the list of speakers of the remaining items of the agenda of the Committee are kindly requested to send an e-mail to 4thcommittee@un.org. Delegations are encouraged to observe the time limits of *10 minutes* for statements by individual Member States and *15 minutes* for delegations speaking on behalf of a group of States. The list of speakers will be prepared on the basis of these time limits.

Delegations are reminded that PaperSmart services are offered as an additional service for the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) at the seventieth session of the General Assembly. Delegations wishing to circulate their statements electronically through the PaperSmart portal should send a copy of the statement at least *one hour* in advance of delivery to papersmart4@un.org.

The date of the meeting and the agenda item should be indicated in the heading of the statement and in the subject line of the e-mail. Statements will be made available on the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) PaperSmart portal *(click here)* only after delivery by delegations. Delegations are reminded that the names of their representatives, alternates and advisers to the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) should be submitted, *as soon as possible*, to Ms. Sonia Elliott, Secretary of the Committee (e-mail 4thcommittee@un.org; Room S-3064; fax 1 (212) 963-5305). Please note that only scanned copies of notes verbales or form A/INF/70/2 will be accepted by e-mail.

Background information on the Committee is available and accessible to Member States and permanent observers by *clicking here*. For inquiries regarding user names and passwords, kindly send an e-mail to 4thcommittee@un.org. Representatives of Member States wishing to be included in the Fourth Committee mailing list are requested to send an e-mail from an official Permanent Mission e-mail address to 4thcommittee@un.org indicating name, delegation and e-mail address.

Delegates may also follow the open formal meetings of the Committee via Live webcast on the United Nations Web TV website (*click here*). The direct link to the archived videos can be consulted by *clicking here*.]

Third Committee

10:00 to 13:00 — 21st meeting [webcast] — Conference Room 1

Promotion and protection of human rights (A/70/40) [item 72]

(b) Human rights questions, including alternative approaches for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms (A/70/56, A/70/111, A/70/154, A/70/166, A/70/167, A/70/203, A/70/212, A/70/213, A/70/216, A/70/217, A/70/255, A/70/257, A/70/258, A/70/259, A/70/260, A/70/261, A/70/263, A/70/266,A/70/270, A/70/271, A/70/274, A/70/275, A/70/279and Corr.1, A/70/285, A/70/286, A/70/287, A/70/290, A/70/297, A/70/303, A/70/304, A/70/306, A/70/310, A/70/316, A/70/334, A/70/342, A/70/345, A/70/347, A/70/361, A/70/371, A/70/405, A/70/414, A/70/415, and the Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the Special Rapporteur on the promotion of truth, justice, reparation and guarantees of non-recurrence (to be issued))

(c) Human rights situations and reports of special rapporteurs and representatives (A/70/313, A/70/332, A/70/352, A/70/362, A/70/392, A/70/393, A/70/411 (to be issued), A/70/412 (to be issued), A/C.3/70/2, A/C.3/70/4 (to be issued), A/C.3/70/5 (to be issued))

Introductory statement by the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights, followed by question time

15:00 to 18:00 — 22nd meeting [webcast] — Conference Room 1

Promotion and protection of human rights (A/70/40) [item 72]

(b) Human rights questions, including alternative approaches for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms (A/70/56, A/70/111, A/70/154, A/70/166, A/70/167, A/70/203, A/70/212, A/70/213, A/70/216, A/70/217, A/70/255, A/70/257, A/70/258, A/70/259, A/70/260, A/70/261, A/70/263, A/70/266,A/70/270, A/70/271, A/70/274, A/70/275, A/70/279and Corr.1, A/70/285, A/70/286, A/70/287, A/70/290, A/70/297, A/70/303, A/70/304, A/70/306, A/70/310, A/70/316, A/70/334, A/70/342, A/70/345, A/70/347, A/70/361, A/70/371, A/70/405, A/70/414, A/70/415, and the Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the Special Rapporteur on the promotion of truth, justice, reparation and guarantees of non-recurrence (to be issued))

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Introductory statements, followed by question time

Special Adviser to the Secretary-General on Myanmar

Assistant Secretary-General for Human Rights

Introductory statement, followed by interactive dialogue

Chair of the Committee on Enforced Disappearances

Oral report, followed by interactive dialogue

Chair of the Working Group on Enforced or Involuntary Disappearances

[The list of speakers for the general discussion on the remaining items of the Third Committee *is open*. Delegations wishing to be inscribed on the list are kindly requested to contact, *in writing*, Ms. Catalina de Leon (e-mail slthirdcommittee@un.org). Delegations are reminded that the names of representatives, alternate representatives and advisers should be submitted, as soon as possible, to the Secretary of the Committee, Mr. Moncef Khane (c/o Ms. Isabel Alejandrino (e-mail lpthirdcommittee@un.org; Room S-1286)). Please note that only scanned copies of notes verbales or form A/INF/70/2 will be accepted by e-mail. Background information on the work of the Third Committee, including the provisional programme of work for the seventieth session as well as deadlines for inscription in the speakers lists and submission of draft proposals, is available by *clicking here*.

All delegations that have not yet done so are kindly requested to transmit to the secretariat of the Third Committee, the completed form listing the duly accredited diplomats of their mission wishing to use the eSponsorship platform and QuickPlace. The form should be e-mailed to thirdcommittee@un.org. For inquiries regarding user names and passwords for Third Committee QuickPlace and the eSponsorship platform, please contact Mr. Paolo Dua (e-mail thirdcommittee@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-4882).

Requests for room reservations for informal consultations on draft proposals should be sent to Ms. Patricia Anholt Habr (e-mail habrp@un.org). Delegations are reminded that dissemination of their statements via PaperSmart is available. Delegations wishing to circulate statements electronically should e-mail the statement(s) at least one hour in advance of expected delivery to papersmart3@un.org. The agenda item under which the statement is to be delivered, as well as the date of the meeting should be clearly indicated on the first page of the statement and in the subject line of the e-mail.]

Fifth Committee

10:00 — 8th meeting [webcast] — Conference Room 3

1. Pattern of conferences (A/70/32*, A/70/122* and A/70/432) [item 137]

   Introduction and general discussion

2. Proposed programme budget for the biennium 2017–2017 [item 134]

   International Trade Centre (A/70/6 (Sect. 13)/Add.1/Rev.1 and A/70/7/Add.1)

   Introduction and general discussion

3. Programme planning [item 135]

   Action on draft resolution A/C.5/70/L.3

Morning[1] to 13:00 — Informal consultations (closed) — Conference Room 5

Informal consultations on agenda item 137 (Pattern of conferences (A/70/32*, A/70/122* and A/70/432))

[Delegations that have not done so are kindly requested to submit, as soon as possible, the names of their representatives, alternate representatives and advisers, to the Secretary of the Fifth Committee, Ms. Sharon Van Buerle (e-mail fifthcommittee@un.org; Room S-3241; fax 1 (212) 963-0360). Please note that only scanned copies of notes verbales or form A/INF/70/2 will be accepted by e-mail. The list of speakers for the general discussion on all agenda items before the Fifth Committee *is open*. Delegations wishing to be inscribed on the list are kindly requested to contact, in writing, Ms. Ilene McGrade (e-mail fifthcommittee@un.org). In addition to providing 25 copies of their statement to the Conference Room Officer, delegations are kindly requested to provide an electronic copy of their statement to the secretariat of the Committee (e-mail fifthcommittee@un.org), prior to the start of the meeting. Background information on the work of the Fifth Committee, including the provisional draft programme of work for the seventieth session of the General Assembly is available by *clicking here*.]

[1] To be held following the adjournment of the 8th meeting.

Sixth Committee

Working Group

10:00 to 13:00 Closed meeting Trusteeship Council Chamber

The scope and application of the principle of universal jurisdiction (A/70/125) [item 86]

15:00 to 17:00 Closed meeting Trusteeship Council Chamber

Criminal accountability of United Nations officials and experts on mission (A/70/208) [item 80]

[Delegates are reminded that PaperSmart services are offered as an additional service for the seventieth session of the Sixth Committee of the General Assembly. Delegations wishing to circulate their statements electronically through the PaperSmart portal (*click here*) should send a copy of the statement at least *one hour* in advance of the delivery to papersmart6@un.org. The number of the meeting and the agenda item should be indicated in the heading of the statement and in the subject line of the e-mail. The statement will appear on the Sixth Committee PaperSmart portal only when read out by the delegation.

The list of speakers for all items on the agenda of the Sixth Committee *is open*. Delegations wishing to be inscribed on the list are kindly requested to contact the secretariat of the Sixth Committee (e-mail 6thcommittee@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-5331; fax 1 (212) 963-1963). Delegations that have not yet submitted the names of their representatives, alternates and advisers are invited to inform the Codification Division, Office of Legal Affairs, secretariat of the Sixth Committee (e-mail 6thcommittee@un.org, Room DC2-0566; fax 1 (212) 963-1963). Please note that only scanned copies of notes verbales or form A/INF/70/2 will be accepted by e-mail.

Delegates are invited to access the online form on the website of the Sixth Committee for purposes of registering for the Committee's UNITE Connections community (for the seventieth session), as well as to join the e-mail contact list of representatives attending the Sixth Committee.]

General Assembly

Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions

10:00 to 13:00 Closed meeting Conference Room 10

1. United Nations Institute for Training and Research
2. Estimates in respect of special political missions, good offices and other political initiatives authorized by the General Assembly and/or the Security Council

General Assembly
Security Council

Peacebuilding Commission
Ninth session

Guinea-Bissau configuration

An informal meeting of the Guinea-Bissau configuration of the Peacebuilding Commission will be held *today,* 21 October 2015, at 10:00, in Conference Room 6.

United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea

Commission on the Limits of the Continental Shelf

Thirty-ninth session

There will be closed meetings of the subcommissions established by the Commission on the Limits of the Continental Shelf *today*, 21 October 2015, from 10:00 to 13:00 and 15:00 to 18:00, at the Geographic Information System laboratories of the Division for Ocean Affairs and the Law of the Sea (DC2 Building, 4th Floor).

Informal meetings on draft proposals convened by delegations

The agenda of the seventieth session of the General Assembly is contained in documents A/70/251 and A/70/252. The meetings under this header are closed.

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First Committee

Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "No first placement of weapons in outer space" (under agenda item 95 (b)) (convened by the delegation of the Russian Federation)

From 10:00 to 11:30, in Conference Room A.

Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Countering the Threat Posed by Improvised Explosive Devices" (under agenda item 98) (convened by the delegation of Afghanistan)

From 15:00 to 18:00, in Conference Room A.

Second Committee

Meeting of co-sponsors on the draft resolution entitled "Role of transport and transit corridors in ensuring international cooperation for sustainable development" (under agenda item 20) (convened by the delegation of Turkmenistan)

From 09:30 to 11:00, in Conference Room B.

Informal informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Global Code of Ethics for Tourism" (under agenda item 20) (convened by the delegation of Morocco)

From 11:00 to 13:00, in Conference Room B.

Third Committee

Informal informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Cooperatives in Social Development" (under agenda item 28) (convened by the delegation of Mongolia)

From 09:00 to 09:45, in Conference Room F.

Meeting of co-sponsors on the draft resolution entitled "The human right to safe drinking water and sanitation" (under agenda item 72 (b)) (convened by the delegations of Germany and Spain)

From 09:00 to 11:00, in Conference Room C.

Informal informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Protection of and Assistance to Internally Displaced Persons" (under agenda item 72 (b)) (convened by the delegation of Norway)

From 11:00 to 13:00, in Conference Room C.

Informal informal consultations on draft resolution A/C.3/70/L.7, entitled "Violence against women migrant workers" (under agenda item 29 (a)) (convened by the delegations of Indonesia and the Philippines)

From 13:00 to 15:00, in Conference Room C.

Informal informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Policies and programmes involving youth" (under agenda item 28 (b)) (convened by the delegation of the Republic of Moldova)

From 15:00 to 17:00, in Conference Room B.

Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Recognizing the role of human rights defenders and the need for their protection" (under agenda item 72) (convened by the delegation of Norway)

From 15:00 to 17:00, in Conference Room C.

Informal informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Implementation of the outcome of the World Summit for Social Development and the twenty-four special session of the General Assembly" (under the agenda item 28 (a)) (convened by the delegation of Comoros (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China))

From 17:00 to 18:30, in Conference Room B.

Informal informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Improving the coordination of efforts against trafficking in persons" (under agenda item 106) (convened by the delegation of Belarus)

From 17:00 to 18:45, in Conference Room C.

Sixth Committee

Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Rule of law at the national and international levels" (under agenda item 85) (convened by the delegations of Liechtenstein and Mexico)

From 08:45 to 09:45, in the Trusteeship Council Chamber.

Other meetings

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JUSCANZ Group (on Second Committee and related matters)

09:00 to 09:45	Closed meeting	Conference Room 7

Group of 77 (on Second Committee and related matters)

10:00 to 13:00	Closed meeting	Conference Room D
15:00 to 18:00	Closed meeting	Conference Room D

Group of 77 (on Fifth Committee matters)

15:00 to 18:00	Closed meeting	Conference Room 5

Group of 77 (on Third Committee and related matters)

18:00 to 20:00	Closed meeting	Conference Room 11

Arab Group (Security Council experts)

12:00 to 13:00	Closed meeting	Conference Room 7

Arab Group (Second Committee experts)

15:00 to 16:00	Closed meeting	Conference Room 7

Other activities

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Event on "The Digital Agenda (eLAC2018) for Latin America and The Caribbean: Regional progress and vision towards the future" (organized by the Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean (ECLAC) and the Permanent Mission of Mexico)

From 08:30 to 09:30, in Conference Room E.

[All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Natalia Casas, Permanent Mission of Mexico (e-mail ncasas@sre.gob.mx, tel. 1 (212) 752-0220); or Ms. Catalina Achermann Undurraga (e-mail catalina.achermann@cepal.org).]

Event on "The extraterritorial application of the prohibition of torture and other cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment" (co-organized by the Permanent Mission of Denmark, the American Civil Liberties Union, the American University Center for Human Rights and Humanitarian Law, the Amnesty International, the Convention against Torture Initiative, the Open Society Justice Initiative, and the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights (OHCHR))

From 10:00 to 12:00, in Conference Room F.

[All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Andra Nicolescu, American University (e-mail anicoles@wcl.american.edu); or Mr. Nenad Vasić, OHCHR New York Office (e-mail vasic@un.org).]

Briefing on "From Space Debris to Space Governance: Space Security Index 2015" (co-organized by the Permanent Mission of Canada and Project Ploughshares)

From 13:15 to 14:30, in Conference Room 7.

[All permanent missions and permanent observer missions are invited. For further information, please contact Mr. Simon Collard-Wexler, Permanent Mission of Canada (e-mail simon.collard-wexler@international.gc.ca); or Ms. Anna Jaikaran, Project Ploughshares (e-mail ajaikaran@ploughshares.ca).]

Event on "Between prison and the grave – Enforced disappearances in Syria" (co-organized by the Permanent Mission of Germany and Amnesty International)

From 13:15 to 14:30, in the Trusteeship Council Chamber. [webcast]

[All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Katharina Kalaschnikow, Permanent Mission of Germany (e-mail pol-s2-vn@newy.auswaertiges-amt.de; tel. 1 (212) 940-0440).]

Event on "Bridging The Gap: Social Inclusion For Youth with Disabilities" (organized by the Permanent Mission of Israel)

From 13:15 to 14:30, in Conference Room 8.

[All are invited. For registration and further information, please contact Ms. Yarden Holzer, Permanent Mission of Israel (e-mail yd@newyork.mfa.gov.il).]

High-level panel on "Perspectives on Disarmament and International Security: The continued relevance of the recommendations of the Blix Commission's report *Weapons of Terror*" (organized by the Permanent Mission of Sweden)

From 13:15 to 14:30, in Conference Room 4.

[All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Birgitta Tsoma, Permanent Mission of Sweden (e-mail birgitta.tsoma@gov.se; tel. 1 (212) 583-2527).]

Event on "Comprehensive Approaches for Disarmament in the Twenty-first Century: Rethinking General and Complete Disarmament" (organized by the Permanent Mission of Costa Rica)

From 15:00 to 18:00, in Conference Room 8.

[All are invited. Please contact Ms. Maritza Chan, Permanent Mission of Costa Rica (e-mail mchan@missioncrun.org; tel. 1 (917) 495-8787).]

Civil Society Hearing on "Preparation for the United Nations General Assembly special session on Drugs" (organized by the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC))

From 15:00 to 17:00, in Conference Room 2. [webcast]

[All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Heather Haase, NYNGO Committee on Drugs (e-mail hhaase@msn.com; tel. 1 (646) 418-9088); or Mr. Jason Reichelt, UNODC (e-mail reichelt@un.org; tel. 1 (347) 493-4621).]

Press conferences

The schedule is tentative; up-to-date information can be obtained at www.un.org/sg/spokesperson/confschedule.asp.

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Press Briefing Room (S-0237) [webcast]

12:00	Press briefing by the Spokesperson
13:15	His Excellency José Manuel García-Margallo, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Spain; and His Excellency Jorge Fernández Díaz, Minister of Interior Affairs of Spain

Security Council

The Security Council will hold an open debate on Thursday, 22 October 2015, at 10:00, in the Security Council Chamber, in connection with the agenda item "The situation in the Middle East, including the Palestinian question".

Member States wishing to inscribe their names on the list of speakers should send a letter addressed to the President of the Security Council requesting to participate in accordance with Rule 37 of the Council's Provisional Rules of Procedure (e-mail dpa-scsb3@un.org; or fax 1 (917) 367-0406). Please note that only scanned copies of signed letters will be accepted by e-mail. Delegations are kindly requested to limit their statements to *no more than four minutes*. Delegations are reminded that the list of speakers will not be available by telephone or e-mail, but only in hard copy in the Chamber, shortly before the beginning of the meeting.

General Assembly
Seventieth session

An informal meeting of the plenary for the commemoration of the 70th anniversary of the Charter of the United Nations will be held on Friday, 23 October 2015, at 15:00, in the Trusteeship Council Chamber. A letter from the President of the General Assembly, dated 8 October 2015, was sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers.

General Assembly
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The General Assembly will hold plenary meetings as follows:

On Monday, 26 October 2015, at 15:00, in the General Assembly Hall, to consider agenda item 12 (Sport for development and peace: building a peaceful and better world through sport and the Olympic ideal).

On Tuesday, 27 October 2015, at 10:00, in the General Assembly Hall, to consider agenda item 42 (Necessity of ending the economic, commercial and financial embargo imposed by the United States of America against Cuba) (report of the Secretary-General A/70/120) and draft resolution (A/70/L.2)).

On Wednesday, 28 October 2015, at 10:00, in the General Assembly Hall, to consider sub-item (a) of agenda item 113 (Election of seven members of the Committee for Programme and Coordination) (Note by the Secretary-General (A/70/355)) and sub-item (e) of agenda item 113 (Election of eighteen members of the Human Rights Council).

Delegations wishing to speak are kindly requested to inscribe with the list of speakers, General Assembly Affairs Branch (Ms. Meriem Heddache (e-mail heddachem@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-5063)).

Forthcoming official meetings

General Assembly
Seventieth session

Informal consultations on agenda item 79 (b) (Oceans and the law of the sea: Sustainable fisheries)

Informal consultations on the draft resolution on agenda item 79 (b) (Sustainable fisheries) of the seventieth session of the General Assembly will be held from Tuesday, 10, to Tuesday, 17 November 2015, from 10:00 to 13:00 and from 15:00 to 18:00, in Conference Room 6.

Informal consultations on agenda item 79 (a) (Oceans and the law of the sea)

Informal consultations on the draft resolution on agenda item 79 (a) (Oceans and the law of the sea) of the seventieth session of the General Assembly will be held from Wednesday, 18, to Tuesday, 24 November 2015, from 10:00 to 13:00 and from 15:00 to 18:00, in Conference Room 6.

General Assembly

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The agenda of the seventieth regular session of the General Assembly was adopted on 18 September 2015 (document A/70/251 and A/70/251/Add.1), see documents A/70/252 and A/70/252/Add.1 for allocation of items.

The annotated preliminary list of items to be included in the provisional agenda of the seventieth regular session of the General Assembly was issued in document A/70/100.

The programme of the work and the schedule of plenary meetings of the General Assembly during the main part of its seventieth session were issued on 7 October 2015 in document A/INF/70/3. Updates to the programme of work will be reflected in the online schedule of meetings, please *click here*.

List of speakers

Delegations wishing to speak in the plenary meetings are kindly requested to inscribe with the list of speakers, General Assembly Affairs Branch (Ms. Antonina Poliakova, e-mail poliakova@un.org; with a copy to heddachem@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-5063).

For the submission of a draft resolution for the plenary, please call 1 (212) 963-7784 (Room S-3044). Please *click here* for the guidelines for submission of draft resolutions in the General Assembly.

PaperSmart Services

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Announcement for Member States on issuance of communications

Delegations requesting issuance of communications as documents of the General Assembly should ensure that they are addressed to the Secretary-General and signed by the permanent representative or chargé d'affaires of the permanent mission to the United Nations. The communications should indicate the session of the General Assembly, and the number and title of the agenda item under which circulation is requested, using the agenda of the seventieth session of the General Assembly contained in document A/70/251. Electronic versions in Microsoft Word should be sent to gaab@un.org, or to dpu-dgacm@un.org, to facilitate the processing of communications. If versions in any other United Nations official languages are available, they should be included with a clear indication of the original language and/or which language versions are to be used for reference only. Materials that are accessible to the public on websites or through the media, such as statements, press releases and images, should be cited rather than included in the communications.

Future elections of non-permanent members of the Security Council and members of the Economic and Social Council

Pursuant to operative paragraph 17 of resolution 68/307 of 10 September 2014, on the revitalization of the work of the General Assembly, there will be two elections, at the seventieth session, of the non-permanent members of the Security Council and two elections of the members of the Economic and Social Council.

Specifically, the General Assembly will conduct the elections of five non-permanent members of the Security Council for the term 2016-2017 and of 18 members of the Economic and Social Council for the term 2016-2018, during the main part of the session,

in the *fall of 2015*. The elections for the 2017-2018 term in the Security Council and for the 2017-2019 term in the Economic and Social Council will take place during the resumed part of the session, in the *spring of 2016*.

Subsequently, these elections will be conducted once during each session of the General Assembly, in the spring, in accordance with the above-mentioned resolution. A memorandum, dated 22 October 2014, was sent by the Director, General Assembly and Economic and Social Council Affairs Division, Department for General Assembly and Conference Management, to the Chairs of the regional groups for that month.

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Main Committees

Second Committee

The Second Committee will hold a joint plenary meeting with the Economic and Social Council on the topic "Illicit financial flows and development financing in Africa" on Friday, 23 October 2015, at 10:00, in Conference Room 2. The joint meeting will be co-chaired by His Excellency Andrej Logar (Slovenia), Chair of the Second Committee, and His Excellency Oh Joon (Republic of Korea), President of the Economic and Social Council. All permanent missions and permanent observer missions, are invited to attend. For further information, please visit the website of the Second Committee (click here) or contact Mr. Joop Theunissen, Office for ECOSOC Support and Coordination, Department of Economic and Social Affairs (e-mail theunissen@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-7763).

The Second Committee programme of work and status of documentation, including background information and side events for the seventieth session of the General Assembly are available on the website of the Committee (*click here*).

The list of speakers for the general discussion on individual agenda items of the Second Committee *is open*. Delegations wishing to inscribe on the lists should contact, *in writing*, the Acting Secretary of the Committee, Mr. Otto Gustafik (c/o Ms. Mary Constable (e-mail constablem@un.org)).

Deadline for inscription to the lists of speakers for the general discussion on individual agenda items is *18:00* of the day before the consideration of the item.

Pursuant to General Assembly decision 65/530 on improving the working methods of the Second Committee, delegations are reminded that the time limits of *five minutes* for individual Member States and *seven minutes* for delegations speaking on behalf of a group of States during the general discussion on individual agenda items will be observed. The lists of speakers will be prepared on the basis of these time limits.

Delegations are reminded that PaperSmart services are available during the session. Delegations wishing to circulate their statements electronically through PaperSmart should send a copy of the statement at least *one hour* in advance of delivery to papersmart2@un.org. The name of the mission, date of the meeting and the agenda item should be indicated in the heading of the statement and in the subject line of the e-mail.

Please note that PDF format is preferred. Statements will be made available on the Second Committee PaperSmart portal only after delivery by delegations.

Delegations are requested to submit, *as soon as possible*, the names of representatives, alternate representatives and advisers to the Acting Secretary of the Second Committee, Mr. Otto Gustafik (c/o Mr. Jose Rene Tanoy (e-mail tanoy@un.org; Room S-1291; fax 1 (212) 963-5935)). Please note that only scanned copies of notes verbales or form A/INF/70/2 will be accepted by e-mail.

For inquiries regarding access to the Second Committee QuickPlace, please contact Ms. Maria Theresa Olvida (e-mail 2ndcommittee@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-8429).

Requests for room reservations for informal consultations on Second Committee matters should be sent, *as soon as possible but no later than 17:00* of the day before the meeting, to Ms. Patricia Anholt Habr (e-mail habrp@un.org, tel. 1 (212) 963-5724).]

The Second Committee will hold informal consultations with non-governmental organizations in consultative status with the Economic and Social Council, on the agenda and work of the Committee on Thursday, 22 October 2015, at 10:00, in Conference Room 2. The informal consultations will be chaired by His Excellency Andrej Logar (Slovenia), Chair of the Second Committee. All permanent missions and permanent observer missions, as well as representatives of non-governmental organizations in consultative status with the Economic and Social Council, are invited to attend. For further information, please visit the website of the Second Committee *(click here)* or contact Ms. Nahleen Ahmed, Office for ECOSOC Support and Coordination, Department of Economic and Social Affairs (e-mail ahmed36@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-5025).

The Second Committee will hold its annual dialogue with the Executive Secretaries of the regional commissions on Friday, 23 October 2015, at 15:00, in Conference Room 2. The dialogue will be chaired by His Excellency Andrej Logar (Slovenia), Chair of the Second Committee. All permanent missions and permanent observer missions, are invited to attend. For further information, please visit the website of the Second Committee *(click here)* or contact Mr. Amr Nour, Regional Commissions New York Office (e-mail nour@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-5565).

Fifth Committee

The Fifth Committee will hold its 9th meeting on Thursday, 22 October 2015, at 10:00, in Conference Room 3. Informal consultations (closed) will be held following the adjournment of the 9th meeting and at 15:00, in Conference Room 5.

Forthcoming informal meetings on draft proposals convened by delegations

The agenda of the seventieth session of the General Assembly is contained in documents A/70/251 and A/70/252. The meetings under this header are closed.

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Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Safety and security of Humanitarian personnel and protection of United Nations personnel" (under agenda item 73) (convened by the delegation of the European Union)

Friday, 23 October 2015, from 10:00 to 13:00, in Conference Room 9; and

Thursday, 29 October 2015, from 15:00 to 18:00, in Conference Room 9.

Second Committee

Informal informal consultations on draft resolution A/C.2/70/L.5, entitled "International Year of Sustainable Tourism for Development 2017" (under agenda item 20) (convened by the delegation of Morocco)

Thursday, 22 October 2015, from 12:30 to 14:00, in Conference Room B.

Third Committee

Informal informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Torture and other cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment or punishment" (under agenda item 72 (a)) (convened by the delegation of Denmark)

Thursday, 22 October 2015, from 09:00 to 11:00, in Conference Room B.

Meeting of co-sponsors on the draft resolution entitled "Rights of the Child" (under agenda item 68 (a)) (convened by the delegations of the European Union and Uruguay)

Thursday, 22 October 2015, from 09:00 to 10:00, in Conference Room C.

Meeting of co-sponsors on the draft resolution entitled "Improvement of the Situation of Women in Rural Areas" (under agenda item 29) (convened by the delegation of Mongolia)

Thursday, 22 October 2015, from 10:00 to 12:00, in Conference Room C.

Informal informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Persons with Albinism" (under agenda item 28) (convened by the delegations of Malawi and the United Republic of Tanzania)

Thursday, 22 October 2015, from 11:00 to 12:30, in Conference Room B.

Informal informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Toward the full realization of an inclusive and accessible United Nations for persons with disabilities" (under agenda item 72 (b)) (convened by the delegation of the Republic of Korea)

Thursday, 22 October 2015, from 13:15 to 14:45, in Conference Room 1.

Informal informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Southern African Development Community (SADC) Girl Child" (under agenda item 68 (a)) (convened by the delegation of Botswana)

Thursday, 22 October 2015, from 14:00 to 16:00, in Conference Room B.

Meeting of co-sponsors on the draft resolution entitled "Globalization and its impact on the full enjoyment of all human rights" (under agenda item 72 (b)) convened by the delegation of Egypt)

Thursday, 22 October 2015, from 15:00 to 18:00, in Conference Room 9.

Informal informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Right to Food" (under agenda item 72) (convened by the delegation of Cuba)

Thursday, 22 October 2015, from 17:00 to 19:00, in Conference Room B.

Informal informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "National Human Rights Institutions" (under agenda item 72) (convened by the delegation of Germany)

Thursday, 22 October 2015, from 18:00 to 19:00, in Conference Room C.

Sixth Committee

Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Measures to eliminate international terrorism" (under agenda item 108) (convened by the delegation of Canada)

Thursday, 22 October2015, from 13:15 to 14:45, in the Trusteeship Council Chamber.

Forthcoming other meetings

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Group of Least Developed Countries (Second Committee experts)

Thursday, 22 October 2015, from 10:15 to 11:00, in Conference Room 8.

International Criminal Court: Assembly of States Parties (omnibus resolution)

Thursday, 22 October 2015, from 15:00 to 18:00, in the Trusteeship Council Chamber; and

Friday, 23 October 2015, from 08:30 to 09:45, in the Trusteeship Council Chamber.

Asia-Pacific Group (monthly meeting)

Tuesday, 27 October 2015, from 15:00 to 18:00, in Conference Room 6.

Forthcoming other activities

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Briefing on "Triennial United Nations conferences on Oceans and Seas" (co-organized by the Permanent Missions of Fiji and Sweden)

Thursday, 22 October 2015, from 11:00 to 12:30, in Conference Room 6.

[All permanent missions and permanent observer missions are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Anneli Bailey, Permanent Mission of Sweden (e-mail anneli.bailey@gov.se; tel. 1 (212) 583-2521).]

Event on "Cooperation between faith-based organizations in promoting freedom of religion or belief" (co-organized by the Permanent Mission of Germany and the German Commission of Justice and Peace)

Thursday, 22 October 2015, from 13:15 to 14:30, in Conference Room 7.

[All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Katharina Kalaschnikow, Permanent Mission of Germany (e-mail pol-s2-vn@newy.auswaertiges-amt.de; tel. 1 (212) 940-0440).]

Panel discussion on "Strengthening the Non-Proliferation Treaty (NPT): International Law and Effective Measures for Nuclear Disarmament" (organized by the Permanent Mission of New Zealand)

Thursday, 22 October 2015, from 13:15 to 14:30, in Conference Room 6.

[All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Katy Donnelly, Permanent Mission of New Zealand (email katy.donnelly@mfat.govt.nz).]

Event on "Reclaiming the Women, Peace and Security (WPS) Agenda: Mobilizing Within and Beyond the United Nations Security Council resolution 1325 (UNSCR 1325) Framework" (co-organized by the Permanent Missions of Ireland and the Kingdom of the Netherlands, the Global Partnership for the Prevention of Armed Conflict (GPPAC), the Women's Peacemakers Program (WPP), the Catholic Organization for Relief and Development Aid (Cordaid), and the NGO Working Group on Women, Peace and Security)

Friday, 23 October 2015, from 10:30 to 12:30, in Conference Room 11.

[For further information, please contact Ms. Alexandra Bekker, Permanent Mission of the Kingdom of the Netherlands (e-mail alexandra.bekker@minbuza.nl; tel. 1 (212) 519-9717); or Ms. Gizem Kilinç (e-mail g.kilinc@gppac.net).]

High-level launch of the "Code of Conduct regarding Security Council action against genocide, crimes against humanity or war crimes" (organized by the Permanent Mission of Liechtenstein)

Friday, 23 October 2015, from 12:30 to 13:30, in the Trusteeship Council Chamber.

[All are invited. For further information, please contact Mr. René Holbach, Permanent Mission of Liechtenstein (e-mail rene.holbach@nyc.llv.li; tel. 1 (212) 599-0220, ext. 230).]

Briefing on "UNECE and the 2030 Sustainable Development Agenda: Norms, Standards, Conventions and Review Mechanisms" (by the Under-Secretary-General and Executive Secretary of the United Nations Economic Commission for Europe (UNECE)) (organized by the Regional Commissions New York Office (RCNYO))

Friday, 23 October 2105, from 13:15 to 14:30, in Conference Room 7.

[All permanent missions and permanent observer missions are invited. For further information, please contact Mr. Ansley Lancourt, RCNYO (email lancourt@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-8518).]

Briefing on "Activities of the Counter-Terrorism Implementation Task Force (CTITF)" (organized by the Counter-Terrorism Implementation Task Force (CTITF) Office, Department of Political Affairs)

Monday, 26 October 2015, from 15:00 to 16:30, in the Economic and Social Chamber.

[All permanent missions and permanent observer missions are invited to attend. For further information, please contac; Mr. John Michael Medina, CTITF (e-mail medina9@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-6290).]

Panel discussion entitled "Toward the full realization of an inclusive and accessible United Nations for persons with disabilities" (co-organized by the Permanent Missions of Antigua and Barbuda, Brazil, Italy, Poland, Republic of Korea and the United Republic of Tanzania, the Department of Economic and Social Affairs (DESA) and the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights (OHCHR))

Tuesday, 27 October 2015, from 13:15 to 14:30, in Conference Room 8.

[All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Janice Yoon, Permanent Mission of the Republic of Korea (e-mail jyoon715@gmail.com; tel. 1 (718) 801-1783).]

Women's International Forum: Meeting on "A Personal and Political Quest for Gender Justice" (sponsored by the Executive Office of the Secretary-General)

Wednesday, 28 October 2015, from 13:15 to 14:30. in Conference Room 7.

[Delegates and Secretariat staff are invited to attend. Please, *click here* for further information.]

Event on "Illicit financial flows, human rights and the post-2015 development agenda " (co-organized by the Independent Expert on the effects of foreign debt and other related international financial obligations of States on the full enjoyment of all human rights, particularly economic, social and cultural rights and the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights (OHCHR))

Thursday, 29 October 2015, from 13:15 to 14:30, in Conference Room 11.

[All are invited. For further information, please contact Mr. Gunnar Theissen, OHCHR (e-mail gtheissen@ohchr.org); or Mr. Nenad Vasic, OHCHR New York Office (e-mail vasic@un.org; or tel. 1 (212) 963-5998).]

Announcements

Training for delegates and staff of permanent missions

The Dag Hammarskjöld Library will conduct the following training (in English) for delegates and staff of permanent missions, at the Library Building, Room L-133 (First Floor), as follows:

For the month of October 2015

Introduction to United Nations Documents

Introduction to Library Services

For the month of November 2015

Introduction to United Nations Documents

Law Library Overview

United Nations Regular Budget Documentation

Introduction to Subscription Databases and Resources

Introduction to Library Services

General Assembly Documentation

Security Council Documentation

All interested are kindly requested to register by accessing the Library Training Calendar (http://www.un.org/depts/dhl).

For more information, please contact the Library (e-mail library-ny@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-3000).

Press kit for the seventieth session of the General Assembly

The press kit for the seventieth session of the General Assembly is now available online in all six official languages. Produced by the Department of Public Information (DPI), in cooperation with the Department for General Assembly and Conference Management (DGACM), the kit is paper-free. Print-on-demand versions are available via the General Assembly website (*click here*).

2016 United Nations Regional Courses in International Law — Call for applications

Applications for the 2016 United Nations Regional Courses in International Law for Africa, Latin America and the Caribbean and Asia-Pacific, respectively, are now being accepted.

The Regional Course for Africa is scheduled to be held in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, from Monday, 1, to Friday, 26 February 2016. This course is open to candidates from Member States of the United Nations, which are also members of the regional group of African States.

The Regional Course for Latin America and the Caribbean is scheduled to be held in Montevideo, Uruguay, from Monday, 4, to Friday, 29 April 2016. This course is open to candidates from Member States of the United Nations, which are also

members of the regional group of Latin American and Caribbean States. The deadline for applications is *Friday, 30 October 2015*.

The Regional Course for Asia-Pacific is scheduled to be held in Bangkok, Thailand, from Monday, 21 November, to Friday, 16 December 2016.

This course is open to candidates from Member States of the United Nations and non-member States, which are also members of the regional group of Asia-Pacific States. The deadline for applications is *Friday, 13 November 2015*.

The three Regional Courses will be conducted *in English* in 2016. The organization of the Regional Courses is subject to funding.

For further information, including application forms, please consult the website of the Regional Courses (*click here*); or contact the Codification Division (RCIL-Africa (e-mail rcil-africa@un.org); RCIL-LAAC (e-mail rcil-laac@un.org); and RCIL-Asia-Pacific (e-mail rcil-asia@un.org)).

2016 United Nations International Law Fellowship Programme — Call for applications

Applications for the 2016 United Nations International Law Fellowship Programme, scheduled to be held at the Peace Palace in The Hague, Netherlands, from 27 June to 5 August 2016, are now being accepted. The deadline for applications is *Tuesday, 1 December 2015*.

The Fellowship Programme will be conducted in *French* in 2016. For further information, including application forms, please consult the International Law Fellowship Programme (*click here*) or contact the Codification Division (e-mail ilfp@un.org).

Calendar of conferences and meetings

The 2015 calendar of conferences and meetings is available and posted on the Department for General Assembly and Conference Management (DGACM) website, or can be consulted by *clicking here*.

Summary of official meetings

Tuesday, 20 October 2015

Security Council

[archived video]

7537th meeting *The situation in the Central African Republic*

The agenda was adopted without objection.

The Security Council adopted a statement by the President on behalf of the Council (S/PRST/2015/17).

7538th meeting

Consideration of the draft report of the Security Council to the General Assembly

The agenda was adopted without objection.

The Council began its consideration of the item.

A statement was made by the representative of New Zealand.

The Council adopted its report to the General Assembly without a vote.

The President stated that the decision of the Council would be reflected in a note by the President of the Council, to be issued as document S/2015/771.

7539th meeting

Implementation of the Note by the President of the Security Council (S/2010/507)

Letter dated 15 October 2015 from the Permanent Representative of Spain to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General (S/2015/793)

The agenda was adopted without objection.

The President invited the representatives of Algeria, Argentina, Australia, Brazil, Colombia, Costa Rica, Cuba, the Czech Republic, Egypt, Estonia, Germany, Guatemala, Hungary, India, Indonesia, Iran (Islamic Republic of), Italy, Japan, Kazakhstan, Kuwait, Liechtenstein, Luxembourg, Mexico, Nepal, the Netherlands, Pakistan, Panama, Paraguay, Peru, Poland, Portugal, the Republic of Korea, Rwanda, Saudi Arabia, Sierra Leone, Singapore, South Africa, Sudan, Sweden, Switzerland, Thailand, Turkey, Ukraine and Uruguay, to participate in the meeting in accordance with rule 37 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure.

The President invited His Excellency Mogens Lykketoft, President of the General Assembly, and His Excellency Sven Jürgenson, Vice-President of the Economic and Social Council, to participate in the meeting in accordance with rule 39 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure.

The President invited the Permanent Observer of the Observer State of the Holy See to the United Nations to participate in the meeting in accordance with the provisional rules of procedure and the Council's previous practice.

The Council began its consideration of the item and heard a briefing by the Deputy Secretary-General.

The Council heard briefings by His Excellency Mogens Lykketoft and His Excellency Sven Jürgenson.

Statements were made by the representatives of Angola (speaking on behalf of Angola, Chile, Jordan, Malaysia, New Zealand and Spain), the United States, Chad, the United Kingdom, Lithuania, China, the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela, Nigeria, the Russian Federation and France (as part of a joint statement with Germany).

The Council heard statements by the representatives of Sweden (speaking first on behalf of the Peacebuilding Commission, and then on behalf of the Nordic countries: Denmark, Finland, Iceland, Norway and Sweden), Switzerland (speaking on behalf of and as the Coordinator of Accountability, Coherence and Transparency (ACT), a cross-regional Group of 23 States), Germany (as part of a joint statement with France), India, Saudi Arabia, Mexico, Colombia, Poland, Guatemala, Kazakhstan, Japan and the Netherlands (speaking on behalf of Belgium, Luxembourg and the Netherlands).

The meeting was suspended.

Upon resumption, the President invited the representative of Tunisia, to participate in the meeting in accordance with rule 37 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure.

The Council heard statements by the representatives of Thailand, Italy, Egypt, Estonia, Australia, Indonesia and Liechtenstein.

The Council heard a statement by the representative of the Holy See.

The Council heard statements by the representatives of the Islamic Republic of Iran (speaking on behalf of the Non-Aligned Movement), Singapore, Uruguay, Sierra Leone (speaking on behalf of the African Group), Portugal, Turkey, Brazil, Paraguay, Costa Rica, Panama, the Czech Republic, Peru, Pakistan, Cuba, Ukraine, Argentina, Algeria, South Africa, Nepal, Rwanda, Kuwait (speaking on behalf of the Arab Group), the Sudan, Tunisia and the Republic of Korea.

The President made a statement in his capacity as the representative of Spain.

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Main Committees

First Committee

[archived video]

10th meeting

Thematic discussions

The Committee continued the second phase of its work, namely thematic discussion on specific subjects and the introduction and consideration of draft resolutions and decisions submitted on all disarmament and related international security agenda items (88 to 105).

The Chair of the Group of Governmental Experts (Canada) to make recommendations on possible aspects that could contribute to but not negotiate a treaty banning the production of fissile material for nuclear weapons or other nuclear explosive devices made a statement.

The meeting was suspended.

The meeting was resumed.

Statements were made by the representatives of Oman (on behalf of the Group of Arab States), South Africa (who introduced the draft resolution entitled "Ethical Imperatives for a Nuclear-Weapon-Free World"), Australia (who introduced the draft resolution entitled "Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty"), Sierra Leone (on behalf of the Group of African States, who also introduced the draft resolution entitled "African Nuclear-Weapon-Free Zone Treaty"), Qatar, the Netherlands, the Czech Republic, Bulgaria, Ireland, Norway, Canada (who introduced the draft resolution entitled "Treaty banning the production of fissile material for nuclear weapons or other nuclear explosive devices"), Pakistan (who introduced the draft resolution entitled "Conclusion of effective international arrangements to assure non-nuclear-weapon States against the use or threat of use of nuclear weapons"), India (who introduced the draft resolutions A/C.1/70/L.19, entitled "Measures to prevent terrorists from acquiring weapons of mass destruction", A/C.1/70/L.20, entitled "Reducing nuclear danger" and A/C.1/70/L.21, entitled "Convention on the prohibition of the use of nuclear weapons"), Germany, the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Romania, Latvia, Italy, Senegal, Thailand, China and Viet Nam.

The representatives of Japan and China made statements in the exercise of the right of reply.

Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee)

[archived video]

10th meeting

International cooperation in the peaceful uses of outer space [item 53]

General debate

The Committee concluded its general debate and heard statements by the representatives of Iraq, Malaysia, Israel, Pakistan, Libya, El Salvador, the Philippines, Cameroon, the Russian Federation, the United States, Algeria, Ecuador, Argentina, China, the Islamic Republic of Iran, the Republic of Korea, India, the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Japan and Nigeria.

Right of reply

Statements in the exercise of the right of reply were made by the representatives of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea and the Republic of Korea.

Organization of work

The Committee decided to extend the deadline for submitting the remaining draft proposal on decolonization, until Friday, 23 October, at 15:00.

Corrigendum to the summary of the 3rd meeting of the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) (see *Journal* No. 2015/196, p. 23); the fourth paragraph *should read* as follows:

Hearing of petitioners

Question of Guam

On the basis of a decision taken at the 2nd meeting, the Committee heard a statement by Ms. Judith T. Won Pat, 33rd Guam Legislature (A/C.4/70/5).

Second Committee

[archived video]

15th meeting

Sustainable development [item 20]

(a) Implementation of Agenda 21, the Programme for the Further Implementation of Agenda 21 and the outcomes of the World Summit on Sustainable Development and of the United Nations Conference on Sustainable Development

(b) Follow-up to and implementation of the SIDS Accelerated Modalities of Action (SAMOA) Pathway and the Mauritius Strategy for the Further Implementation of the Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States

(c) International Strategy for Disaster Reduction

(d) Protection of global climate for present and future generations of humankind

(e) Implementation of the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification in Those Countries Experiencing Serious Drought and/or Desertification, Particularly in Africa

(f) Convention on Biological Diversity

(g) Harmony with Nature

(h) United Nations Decade of Education for Sustainable Development

Continuation of the general discussion

The Committee continued its general discussion of agenda item 20 as a whole and heard statements by the representatives of Singapore, Colombia, the Islamic Republic of Iran, Mauritania, Mozambique, New Zealand, the Syrian Arab Republic, Mali, Togo, Botswana, Papua New Guinea, Malawi, Iceland, Mongolia, China, the United States, Paraguay, Serbia, Samoa, Turkey, Guatemala, the Philippines, Bhutan, Niger, Argentina, Switzerland, Nepal, Côte d'Ivoire, Benin and Monaco.

Organization of work

A statement was made by the Vice-Chair (Paraguay).

16th meeting

Sustainable development [item 20]

(a) Implementation of Agenda 21, the Programme for the Further Implementation of Agenda 21 and the outcomes of the World Summit on Sustainable Development and of the United Nations Conference on Sustainable Development

(b) Follow-up to and implementation of the SIDS Accelerated Modalities of Action (SAMOA) Pathway and the Mauritius Strategy for the Further Implementation of the Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States

(c) International Strategy for Disaster Reduction

(d) Protection of global climate for present and future generations of humankind

(e) Implementation of the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification in Those Countries Experiencing Serious Drought and/or Desertification, Particularly in Africa

(f) Convention on Biological Diversity

(g) Harmony with Nature

(h) United Nations Decade of Education for Sustainable Development

Continuation of the general discussion

The Committee continued its general discussion of agenda item 20 as a whole and heard statements by the representatives of Rwanda, the Republic of Korea, the Democratic Republic of the Congo, the United Arab Emirates, Gabon, Ethiopia, Costa Rica, Indonesia, Liberia, Eritrea, Armenia, Zambia, Cameroon and the Plurinational State of Bolivia.

A statement was made by the observer for the Holy See.

Statements were also made by the representatives of the International Federation of the Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies and the International Organization for Migration.

Statements were also made by the representatives of the International Labour Organization and the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations.

The Committee thus concluded its general discussion of agenda item 20 as a whole.

Organization of work

A statement was made by the Vice-Chair (Paraguay).

Third Committee

[archived video]

19th meeting

Promotion and protection of human rights [item 72]

(a) Implementation of human rights instruments

(d) Comprehensive implementation of and follow-up to the Vienna Declaration and Programme of Action

The Committee began its consideration of the sub items.

Introductory statements and oral reports

The Assistant Secretary-General for Human Rights made an introductory statement and responded to questions posed and comments made by the representatives of the Czech Republic, the Islamic Republic of Iran and the Russian Federation.

The Chair of the Committee against Torture made an oral report and engaged in an interactive dialogue with the representatives of Colombia, the European Union, the United Kingdom, Liechtenstein, Iraq, Denmark, Azerbaijan and Chile.

The Chair of the Subcommittee on the Prevention of Torture also made an oral report and engaged in an interactive dialogue with the representatives of Switzerland, the Czech Republic, the European Union, the United Kingdom, Azerbaijan, Denmark and Armenia.

The Special Rapporteur on torture and other cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment or punishment also made an introductory statement and engaged in an interactive dialogue with the representatives of Denmark, the United States, Liechtenstein, Fiji, the European Union, Georgia, Switzerland, Norway, the United Kingdom, the Czech Republic, Brazil, the Russian Federation, Azerbaijan and Armenia.

Organization of work

A statement was made by the Vice-Chair (Guyana).

20th meeting

Promotion and protection of human rights [item 72]

(a) Implementation of human rights instruments

(d) Comprehensive implementation of and follow-up to the Vienna Declaration and Programme of Action

The Committee continued its consideration of the agenda item and its sub-items.

Oral report and introductory statement

The Chair of the Human Rights Committee made an oral report and engaged in an interactive dialogue with the representatives of Argentina, the European Union, Switzerland, Belarus, the United Kingdom, Cuba, Sierra Leone (on behalf of the Group of African States), Iceland, Nigeria and Egypt.

The Vice-Chair of the Committee on the Economic, Social and Cultural Rights made an introductory statement and engaged in an interactive dialogue with the representatives of Portugal (also on behalf of Argentina, Belgium, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Bolivia (the Plurinational State of), Cabo Verde, Costa Rica, El Salvador, Ecuador, Finland, France, Italy, Montenegro, Mongolia, Spain, and Uruguay), Poland, the European Union, Spain, Nigeria and South Africa.

Rights of indigenous peoples [item 69]

(a) Rights of indigenous peoples

(b) Follow-up to the outcome document of the high-level plenary meeting of the General Assembly known as the World Conference on Indigenous Peoples

The Committee resumed its consideration of the agenda item and its sub-items.

Introductory statement

The Special Rapporteur on the rights of indigenous peoples made an introductory statement and engaged in an interactive dialogue with the representatives Australia, the European Union, Norway, Mexico, the United States, Panama, Cameroon, the Congo and Nigeria.

Continuation and conclusion of the general debate

Right of reply

The representatives of the Russian Federation and Ukraine made statements in exercise of the right of reply.

Promotion and protection of human rights [item 72]

(a) Implementation of human rights instruments

(d) Comprehensive implementation of and follow-up to the Vienna Declaration and Programme of Action

The Committee resumed its consideration of the agenda item and its sub-items.

General discussion

The Committee began its general discussion of the sub-items and heard statements by the representatives of Bahrain and New Zealand (also on behalf of Australia, Iceland, Liechtenstein, Norway and Switzerland).

Organization of work

A statement was made by the Vice-Chair (Canada).

Fifth Committee

[archived video]

7th meeting

Administration of justice at the United Nations [item 143]

The Committee began its consideration of the agenda item.

The Executive Director of the Office of the Administration of Justice introduced the report of the Secretary-General on Administration of Justice at the United Nations (A/70/187).

The Assistant Secretary-General, United Nations Ombudsman introduced the report of the Secretary-General on the activities of the Office of the United Nations Ombudsman and Mediation Services (A/70/151).

The Chair drew the attention of the Committee to the report of the Internal Justice Council on Administration of justice at the United Nations (A/70/188).

The Vice-Chair of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions introduced the related report of that Committee (A/70/420).

The Chair further drew the attention of the Committee to the report of the Secretary-General on the Amendment to the rules of procedure of the United Nations Appeals Tribunal (A/70/189).

Statements were made by the representatives of South Africa (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China), the United Republic of Tanzania (on behalf of the African Group), Switzerland (also on behalf of Liechtenstein), the United States and Japan.

The Committee thus concluded its general discussion of the agenda item.

The Chair informed the Committee that informal consultations on the agenda item would begin on that day, Tuesday, 20 October following the adjournment of the formal meeting and would be coordinated by Ms. Felicity Roxburgh (New Zealand).

The Chair further informed the Committee that informal consultations on agenda item 134 (Proposed programme budget for the biennium 2016-2017), would begin on that day, Tuesday, 20 October in the afternoon and would be coordinated by Mr. Olivio Fermin (Dominican Republic).

The Chair reminded delegations of the need to submit the composition of their delegations to the Secretariat of the Fifth Committee by the close of business on 22 October at which time the document would be submitted for final issuance.

The Chair further reminded delegations of the closing date for nominations for agenda item 114: Appointments to fill vacancies in subsidiary organs and other appointments, on Friday, 23 October 2015.

Sixth Committee

[archived video]

12th meeting

The scope and application of the principle of universal jurisdiction [item 86]

The Committee commenced its consideration of agenda item 86.

Statements were made by the representatives of the Islamic Republic of Iran (on behalf of the Non-Aligned Movement (NAM)), Ecuador (on behalf of the Community of Latin American and Caribbean States (CELAC)), South Africa (on behalf of the African Group), Trinidad and Tobago (on behalf of the Caribbean Community (CARICOM)), New Zealand (also on behalf of Australia and Canada (CANZ)), Peru, Singapore, Cuba, Belarus, the Sudan, Qatar, Colombia, Slovenia, the Czech Republic, Norway, Switzerland, Serbia, Brazil, Viet Nam, Israel, Algeria, Poland, the United States, the Russian Federation, Thailand, the United Kingdom, Lebanon, Kenya, India, the Islamic Republic of Iran, the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela, China and Burkina Faso.

13th meeting

The scope and application of the principle of universal jurisdiction [item 86]

The Committee continued its consideration of agenda item 86.

Statements were made by the representatives of Mozambique, Egypt, Croatia, El Salvador, Morocco and Guatemala.

Statements were also made by the observers for the Holy See and the International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC).

The Committee concluded its debate on agenda item 86.

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